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Banks.

NOTICE.

RULES OF THE HONGKONG SAVINGS' BANK.

1.—The business of the above Bank will be conducted by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on their premises in Hongkong. Business hours on weekdays, 10 to 3 : Saturdays, 10 to 1.

2.—Sum less than \$1, or more than \$250 at one time will not be received. No depositor may deposit more than \$2,500 in any one year.

3.—Depositors in the Savings' Bank having \$100 or more at their credit may at their option transfer the same to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on fixed deposit for 12 months at 5 per cent. per annum interest.

4.—Interest at the rate of 3d per cent. per annum will be allowed to depositors on their daily balances.

5.—Each Depositor will be supplied gratis with a Pass-Book which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their Pass-Books but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, about the beginning of January and beginning of July.

6.—Correspondence as to the business of the Bank, if marked On Hongkong Savings' Bank Business is forwarded free by the various British Post Offices in Hongkong and China.

7.—Withdrawals may be made on demand, but the personal attendance of the depositor or his duly appointed agent, and the production of his Pass-Book are necessary.

For the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
F. DE BOVIS,
Acting Chief Manager.
Hongkong, January 1, 1891. 754

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....\$3,292,677.07
RESERVE FUND.....\$6,806,696.31
RESERVE LIABILITY OF.....\$9,292,677.07
PROPRIETORS.....

COUNT OF DIRECTORS.
Chairman:—J. S. MEARS, Esq.
Deputy Chairman:—S. C. MICHAMMEN, Esq.
H. L. DALBYNE, Esq.
T. E. DAVIES, Esq.
O. J. HOLMAY, Esq.
H. HORPITZ, Esq.

ACTING CHIEF MANAGER.
F. DE BOVIS, Esq.
MANAGER.
Sharples, John Walter, Esq.
LORD BARKER, London and County Bank.

HONGKONG:
INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Deposit Account at the rate of 3 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.
On Fixed Deposits:—
For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "
" 12 " 5 per cent. " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.
Credit granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts granted on London, and the chief Commercial place in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

F. DE BOVIS,
Acting Chief Manager.
Hongkong, March 11, 1891. 363

THE NEW ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION, LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL.....\$2,000,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL.....\$580,000

LONDON:—Head Office, 40, Threadneedle Street, West End Office, 26, Cockspur Street.

BANKERS IN INDIA, CHINA, JAPAN AND THE COLOMBIES.

THE BANK receives Money on Deposit, Bills and Bills of Exchange, Issues Letters of Credit, forwards Bills for Collection, and Transacts Banking and Agency Business generally, on terms to be agreed upon.

INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS:
Fixed for 12 months, 5 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 " "
" 3 " 3 " "

ON CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS 2 per cent. per annum on the Daily Balance.

E. V. CUTTER,
Manager.
Hongkong, September 4, 1890. 1362

Intimations:

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

CHEMISTS BY APPOINTMENT.

THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.
(ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.)

Wholesale and Retail Druggists.
ANALYTICAL,
FAMILY, DISPENSING & GENERAL CHEMISTS.

P E R F U M E R I S.

PATENT MEDICINE PROPRIETORS.

SEEDSMEN.

WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS,
CIGAR IMPORTERS, &c., &c.

MANUFACTURERS OF AERATED
WATERS
BY STEAM MACHINERY.

THIS being THE FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY
of our Firm, and THE JUBILEE YEAR
of the Colony, "THE HONGKONG DISPEN-
SARY having been Established A.D. 1841,"
we take the opportunity of thanking our
friends for their support during the last 50
years, and tender them the assurance of our
best services in the future as in the past.

We shall continue to import DRUGS,
CHEMICALS, and GOODS of every kind of
the BEST QUALITY ONLY as heretofore, at
prices that will be found to compare favour-
ably with local rates, and in many instances
with those ruling at home.

BRANCH ESTABLISHMENTS:

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

THE SHANGHAI PHARMACY, SHANGHAI,
24, Nanlin Road.

BOTICA INGLEZA, MANILA,
Ecclite, 14.

THE CANTON DISPENSARY, CANTON,
Canal Road.

THE DISPENSARY, FOOCHOW.

THE DISPENSARY, HANKOW.

THE DISPENSARY, TIENSIN.

LONDON OFFICE,
106, Fenchurch Street, E.C.

THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY,
21st January, 1891. 169

THE PUNJOM AND SUNGHI DUA
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Entertainments.

THEATRE ROYAL,
CITY HALL.
THE HONGKONG AMATEUR
DRAMATIC CLUB.

THE above CLUB will give
a PERFORMANCE
MONDAY, March 30th,
TUESDAY, March 31st,
When will be produced an ORIGINAL COMEDY
by JAMES ALDERLY, entitled
TWO ROSES.

By kind permission of LIEUT.-COLONEL
CHATER and the OFFICERS, the BAND
of the 1st Battalion Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders will perform during the evening.

Tickets can be obtained from Messrs. LANE, CRAWFORD & CO., on and after Monday, March 23rd, at 11 a.m.

PRICE.—\$2 and \$1.

Soldiers and Sailors, 25 cents to the Back Seats.

Doors open at 8.30 p.m. Performance to commence at 9 o'clock p.m.

Hongkong, March 26, 1891. 638

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour—

AMER COBURN, American ship, Captain Goo. A. Nichols; Jarcline, Matheson & Co.; ADRIOL ORLO, American barque, Capt. F. Carleton—Reuter, Brockelman & Co.; ARMENTA, British barque, Capt. J. W. MORSE—ARDHOLD, Karberg & Co.; HEATHER BELL, Brit. barque, Capt. Thos. Hugo—Siemens & Co.; PENSHAW, British barque, Captain John Inskip—Gibb, Livingston & Co.; THERMOPYLE British ship, Capt. Wm. Weston—Master.

To-day's Advertisements.

THEATRE ROYAL,
CITY HALL.
To-night,
SATURDAY, 28TH MARCH.

M. R. G. C. MILN,
Supported by
MISS LOUISE JORDAN
AND THE COMPANY,
in
SHAKESPEARE'S GREAT TRAGEDY
'RICHARD III.'
Mr. Geo. C. Miln as Richard, Duke of Gloucester;
Miss Louise Jordan as Lady Anne.

FOR ONE NIGHT ONLY!

ACT I.—Now is the winter of our discontent;
DEATH OF KING HENRY.

ACT II.—THE FUNERAL PROCESSION,
THE FAMOUS WOOGING SCENE
THE CORONATION.

ACT IV.—THE TRIUMPHANT MARCH.

ACT V.—THE BATTLE OF BOSWORTH FIELD,
THE DEADLY BROADSWORD
COMBAT,
and
DEATH OF RICHARD.

WEDNESDAY, 1st April,
'ROMEO AND JULIET.'

POPULAR PRICES: \$2 and \$1. Soldiers and Sailors Half-Price to Pit.
Box Plan at Messrs. KELLY & WALSH's.
Doors open 8.30. Commence 9 p.m.

Hongkong, March 26, 1891. 639

GLEE LINE OF STEAM PACKETS,
FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

THE S.S. *Glenfrith*, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, LIMITED, at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon To-day.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 3rd April will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Consignees are requested to present all Claims for damages and/or shortages not later than the 10th April, otherwise they will not be recognized.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, March 28, 1891. 641

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE S.S. *Oceanus*, Captain T. BEEMERS, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for counter-signature by the Undersigned, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from godowns.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before To-morrow, the 29th Instant, at 10 a.m.

Any Cargo impounding his discharge will be landed into the godowns of the HONGKONG, KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN CO., LIMITED, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 3rd April will be subject to rent.

All Goods, charted and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined on the 3rd April, at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

SLEMMSEN & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, March 28, 1891. 642

To-day's Advertisements.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
LIMITED,
FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUL
The Co.'s Steamship
Folke,
Captain DAVIS, will be
dispatched for the above
PORTS-TOMORROW, the 29th Instant, at
Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co.,
General Managers,
Hongkong, March 28, 1891. 640

THE CHINA SHIPPERS' MUTUAL
STEAM NAVIGATION COM-
PANY, LIMITED.

FOR LONDON.
The Co.'s Steamship
Dorack,
C. H. KEIF, Commander,
will be dispatched as above
on or about the 7th Proximo.

For Freight, apply to
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.,
Agents,
Hongkong, March 28, 1891. 643

PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned has received instruc-
tions from Major-General A. H.
Gordon, to sell by Public Auction, on

FRIDAY,
the 3rd April, 1891, at 2 p.m., at his
Quarters, Victoria Hotel,—

THE WHOLE OF THE
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c.,
comprising:—

CRETTON-COVERED DRAWING-ROOM
COUCHES AND CHAIRS,
CENTRE AND SIDE TABLES, CHEFONIER
AND GLASS BOOK CASE.

CARPETS AND HEALTHY RUGS, PICTURES,
EXTENSION DINING TABLE, SIDEBOARD,
WINE-STAND, CROCKERY, GLASS AND PLATED
WARE AND VIENNA CHAIRS.

DOUBLE IRON BEDSTEAD, HOWE'S PATENT
FOLDING CHILDREN'S COTS, LADY'S WARDROBE
WITH MIRROR, CHEST OF DRAWERS, TOILET
TABLE AND GLASS, AND WASHSTAND.

ONE EXPRESS RIFLE.

ONE REMINGTON CARBINE.

ONE DOUBLE-BARRELLED 12-BORE
FOWLING PIECE.

ONE JINRICKSHA.

&c., &c., &c.

Catalogues will be issued.

TERMS OF SALE.—As customary.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, March 28, 1891. 644

DAKIN BROS. OF CHINA,
LIMITED.

DAKIN'S SODA WATER
EQUAL TO
that of the Best
ENGLISH MAKERS,
IN LARGEST BOMBAY SIZE—
BOTTLES,
50 Cents per dozen.

DISCOUNT TO CLUBS, MESSES AND HOTELS.

Nos. 22 & 24, QUEEN'S ROAD
GENERAL. 636

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS,
March 27, 1891.—

Sacato, German steamer, from Whamp-

ton, 400, A. Bendixon, Heilbronn March 25; General—Wilmann & Co.

Actis, Danish steamer, 355, H. Hygum, Haiphong March 24, General—A. R. MARTY.

Glenfrith, British steamer, 1,335, E. Norman, London February 9, and Singapo-
March 21; General—JARDINE, MATHE-
SON & Co.

Pfeifer, Danish steamer, 367, C. A. Lund, Pakhot March 24, and Hoifow 26; General—ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

Tremolo, British steamer, 1,357, H. Jones, Shanghai March 23, and Swatow 26; General—BUTTERFIELD & SWINE.

Chiyoda, Japanese cruiser, 2,450, Capt. A. Arii, from Singapore.

Lancelot, British steamer, 1,564, T. Thomas, Saigon March 22; Rice, Paddy & Co.

Foton, British steamer, 500, Davis, Tamsui March 23, Amoy 24, and Swatow 26; General—DOUGLAS STEAMER CO. LTD.

March 28.—

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer Glenfrith reports:

Had fresh moonsoon.

The British steamer Telemachus reports:

Had light variable air and calms, from Shangha to port. Passed S. a. a. Guelic, bound for North.

The British steamer Lancelot reports:

From Parcels, from Tamsui to port, had light winds and fine weather.

The British steamer Foton reports:

Left Tamsui 23rd March, and experienced fresh N.E. winds, overcast and follow-
ing there to Amoy. Left Amoy 24th, and ex-
perienced moderate and S.E. wind, and
hurried to Swatow. Left Swatow 26th, and
experienced moderate to light S.E. wind
and fine to Cholan Point; from there
Easterly to port.

The British steamer Sida reports:

Had fresh moonsoon from Cape St. James to
Padraon; thence to port, fine weather.

The British steamer Peking reports:

Had strong N.E. monsoon and heavy sea to date
15th; fine to weather till arrival.

The German steamer Peking reports:

Had light variable winds, with smooth sea
and haze weather throughout.

EXPORT CARGOES.

Per S. S. *Nestor*, sailed 4 March:—For

London 179 cases Chinaware, 33 cases M.

O. P. Steel, and 30 cases Sundries.

Per S. S. *Monde*, sailed 13th March:—

For New York 9 cases Woolware, 1 case Ivoryware, 706 pieces Fine Porcelain, 15 boxes Hides, and 338 pieces Merchandise.

Per S. S. *Nestor*, sailed 15th March:—

For Geneva, 30 boxes Essential Oil, 311

bales Canes; for New York, 2 cases Silks,

for Port Said, 6 cases Electric Lamps, &c.

for London, 8 pieces Private Effects, 20

cases Essential Oil; for Amsterdam, 50

cases Ginger, 8 cases Chinaware &c.; for

Singapore, 2 bales Clothoids, 12 pieces

Sundries, 1 box Gold Leaf; for Amsterdam, Rotterdams, 126 cases Ginger; for Antwerp, 5 rolls Matting, 2 boxes Blackwoodware &c., 40 bales Feathers; for Hamburg, 241

plgs. Crackers, 1 case Gold Thread, 31

pieces.

PER PEAK DELIVERY: Letters, &c., will

be delivered by first and 4 o'clock trains.

Correspondence for the Peak may

be posted in the General Post Office up to

11.30 a.m. or 3.30 p.m. Local Rates will

be charged. No Sunday delivery. Senders

are requested to cancel their Stamps by writing the word *Stamps* across them.

Covers containing Bank Notes, &c.,

should be registered.

Letters, Parcels, &c., for Kowloon

Point, and steamers in Harbour may be

posted in the General Post Office up to

11.30 a.m. and 3.30 p.m.

Letters from Kowloon Point may be

posted in the Letter Box which has been

placed in the Police Station Compound up

to 12 and 4 o'clock.

Local Rates will be charged.

To avoid robbery, senders of letters from

Kowloon are requested to cancel their Stamps by writing the word *Stamps* across them.

Covers containing Bank Notes, &c.,

should be registered.

Goods per *Glenfrith* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

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General Memoranda.

Wednesday, April 1:—

THE CHINA MAIL

OUR Tonkin confuses have been falling out again. M. de Quer, editor of *Le Courier d'Haiphong*, said something about M. Le Vasseur, editor of *L'Indépendant Tonkinois*, in his absence, which the latter did not consider a compliment. M. Le Vasseur, on his return, challenged his brother journalist, and the two worthies met in the suburbs of Haiphong to decide by words who was right and who was wrong. After striking at each other for some time, M. Le Vasseur was scratched near the right shoulder and was declared by the doctors to be *en état d'infirmité*. Thereupon the combat ceased. Honour was vindicated, and everybody returned delighted with the exhibition of mimic savagery. We are inclined to say with Puck (slightly changed)—what fools these Frenchmen be! There was, however, one grain of sense in the affair. The seconds made it a condition of the duel that their respective clients should undertake on their honour to cease in future all personal polemics. We trust the condition will be fulfilled.

This following interesting case is reported by the *South Australian Chronicle*:—Local Court (before His Honor Mr. Commissioner Russell, S. M.) LeCorz v. Fiest.—£4 16s., for funeral expenses. Mr. Mitchell appeared for the plaintiff. The defendant in court claimed that he was not liable for the expenses of his wife's funeral, as she had left him before his death, and had no claim upon him. The bench, however, thought otherwise and ordered the defendant to pay the amount.

At the Old Bailey it was customary to sentence the whole of the prisoners found guilty at the sessions at one time. It fell to Baron Graham's lot to perform this duty, and he accordingly went over the list with due solemnity, but omitted one person brought up for sentence—Mr. John Jones. The judge was on the point of remanding his trial, but naturally, it might have been supposed all the facts of the President's case had been exhausted to the whole.

The Chinese question still occupies a prominent share of public attention in Canada. News from Victoria, February 6th, states that among the principal questions before the House is that of inserting an anti-Chinese clause in the Amalgamation Act asked for by the New Westminster Street Railway Co. and the Vancouver and Westminster Electric Tramway Co. This is in addition to the proposal of the employment of Chinese labour after the completion of the railway.

This Scandal tells a capital story of one of our living bishops, well-known for his good sense and rare wit. He was staying at the house of a country gentleman who posed as an ardent total abstainer. During dinner on the first day of the Bishop's visit, there being nothing to drink on the table besides water and mineral waters, the host, turning towards his reverend guest, said in undertones: "My lord, you will find some wine in your bed-room." The Bishop, with characteristic tact, briefly acknowledged this curious concession and partook of the refreshment placed before him. Some short while after this the Bishop received his testicular friend with becoming hospitality at the same house, and they remarked to each other: "My So-and-So, you will find some water in your bed-room."

The Spanish Government has not yet said the last word in the matter of the Protectionist tariff now enforced in the Philippines. It has directed reports to be sent in of the working of the duties during the first six months after their introduction. Merchants and commercial corporations are expected to suggest "any changes which they may consider desirable." They will be laid before the Central Customs Administration, which, in turn, will issue a report, and pass them on to the Intendencia General of the Finance Ministry, which department passes it on to the Minister of the Colonies. The Minister will appoint a Commission, which will definitely fix the regulations under which the tariff will be worked.

A disreputable general, in command of one of the military districts of the United Kingdom, gave instructions (*Fanti Fair says*) to an officer serving under him, who had special qualifications for the work, to prepare a scheme of defence for one of the most important ports under his command. This officer, whose seal was above suspicion, prepared a very elaborate report, entering into the most minute details, which he forwarded according to his orders. He heard nothing further about it for several months, until at length it was returned, when he eagerly looked to see what remarks the General had made upon his work. To his disgust he found nothing until he arrived at the last page of the report, where was written: "You should have used a wider margin!"

A NEW TERROR.—A new era has dawned for burglars. Speaking of the robbery which was recently committed at a bank in Hanover, the *Electro-technische Zeitung* says that though it was supposed at the time that the thief opened the safe by means of a gas jet and some sort of acid, it is extremely probable that the robbery was accomplished by electricity. With the aid of electrically-piped acid, the burglar can open the safe in a very short time, and without any noise or smell. Burglars, as a rule, would not even have to encumber themselves with tools, as many banks are fitted with the electric light, thus providing all the requisite implements on the spot.

We (*Penang Gazette*) are enabled, on express by Govt. order, to give an account of the origin of the name of German annatto in Siam, which will, I am sure, all disinguish. There is little doubt that the rumour arose in this way. A short time ago a Mr. Orlöpp, a German by birth but representing Messrs. Sword and Mühlenhans of the Straits Trading Company, in which he is also a partner, proceeded to Bangkok on behalf of his firm, which it is to be borne in mind, is a British Trading Company. Mr. Sword being also an Englishman. The object of Mr. Orlöpp's visit was to obtain from the Siamese Government a farm of the exclusive right to collect the tin ore in Siam, and to obtain the monopoly of the tin trade amongst other places. To gain this object Mr. Orlöpp applied it moreover to the German Consulate for support, and to this fact is due the rumour which has been persistently circulated and as persistently denied by the *Bangkok Times*. We understand the application has been without success, but meanwhile the Siamese Government has no doubt enjoyed the stir that has been made about the matter.

At the request of H. M. the King of Siam, the Sultan of Kedah intends to immediately take steps for abolishing Unicosa secret societies in his territories.

Mrs Mary Lowell is known as the "Electric Star," according to the New York press, and lately (Feb. 1st) turned her love for electrical engineering to practical account. She was without a servant, and determined to try whether she could not light the kitchen fire by means of a tame flash of electricity, as to speak, and then let it burn up before she got up herself. She lit up wires to and from her bed-head to the kitchen grates, thus completing an "electric circuit" with the aid of a small battery, which she then remained to be done with so "built" the electric igniter. The wires were connected by a piece of platinum, and round this there was loosely wrapped what firework-makers call "lightning paper." Over this again was thrown some tissue paper, upon it placed a wheel of firewood, and on the latter the coal. At seven in the morning, when the fire had to be lit, the current was sent by Mrs. Lowell through the wires. The platinum lit the lightning paper, then the firewood the coal. When Mrs. Lowell descended to the kitchen the kettle was boiling and the place comfortably warm. The lady thinks she has done something towards the solution of the servant question, with which house-keepers in America are more troubled than some of us here have any idea of.

The Chinese question still occupies a prominent share of public attention in Canada. News from Victoria, February 6th, states that among the principal questions before the House is that of inserting an anti-Chinese clause in the Amalgamation Act asked for by the New Westminster Street Railway Co. and the Vancouver and Westminster Electric Tramway Co. This is in addition to the proposal of the employment of Chinese labour after the completion of the railway.

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That even if we accept the Governor's argument—that the Council thought the Colony was able to pay £40,000 per annum a year ago—it does not necessarily follow that the ability of the Colony continues.

That the recent addressed of His Excellency upon the "hard hit" we have received in Hongkong do not stand in union with the booming vires on the Position and Prospects of the Colony which the Governor addressed to the Colonial Office before the increase of the Military Contribution was first mooted officially.

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The heart of Stock Exchange gambling is, however, still among domestic servants in the United States, and of betting on races as becoming popular here among both the middle classes or race, or ranks. But that only proves that these vices have taken the place of lower and even worse vices, such as common stealing and pocket-picking, which have simultaneously very much diminished. It would be false to argue that because gambling, and the dishonesty which so often accompanies it, have spread to the lower classes, the whole state of society is worse than that account, as it would be to argue that because a certain limited amount of intelligence and education now pervades the vices of our time, the whole state of society is better on that account. What seems to us is that there is a greater sense of uniformity than there ever was hitherto in the interests and in the moral condition of the different ranks and classes. There is more sentiment and sentimentalism in the upper classes; there is less violence in the lower classes. There are

STRUGGLE DOWN IN BURMAH.

Beethoven composed music he was too deaf to hear, and the fastest steam craft in the world was built (both hull and machinery) by an American who was perfectly blind for many years. Nevertheless the one would have been the better for his hearing and the other for his sight. A sold may be a model of patriotism and courage, but what use is he in an army if he cannot carry a musket?

Allow us to illustrate the point by a story. Mr John Hodson was born at Warboys, in Huntingdonshire. When he was twenty-five years old he took work as a navvy under the great railway contractors,

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Messrs Lucas, Aird, Sons, and Co., of Westminter, and remained under them seven years. He then enlisted in Her Majesty's Royal Engineers and went with it to India in 1856. He was detailed in the Burmah Expedition in 1856, and was Moulmein when King Thibaw surrendered. With this explanation we will now let Mr Hodson tell his own tale. He says—

"After reaching Shwate I began to feel badly. I had a sinking sensation at the pit of the stomach and was so drowsy I could scarcely hold my head up. I had pain in my right side and under the shoulder blades, lost my spirits and took a gloomy view of everything. I could neither eat nor sleep. I lay in bed awake night after night. My liver was perfectly torpid, skin and eyes yellow, tongue badly coated, heart irregular, no appetite, cold extremities, arteries, vomiting and an incessant diarrhea. With these symptoms I was in bed four months in the year 1857."

In the hospital I was treated by the Regimental physician, and was visited by Dr. Hoff, of the Indian Government, who said I was suffering from dysentery. I became so weak I could hardly stand and passed nothing but slime from the bowels. No treatment availed to stop the diarrhea. Finally I was sent home and arrived at Gosport in Dec. 1858, and was transferred to the hospital there until Feb. 1859, when I was discharged as incurable and placed in the Army Reserve. I returned to Warboys, and feeling a trifle better tried to work. But I soon had to give up, I became so thin that people who had known me for years did not recognize me.

"I then went to Mr Nicholl, the Chemist of Warboys (of Craydon), who said 'You had better try Mother Seigel's Curative Syrup.' I took a bottle and took it to the above named faithful apothecary.

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D. GILLIES,
Secretary,
Hongkong, August 25, 1891. 1455

Notices to Consignees.

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Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

Goods remaining unclaimed after Friday, the 3rd April, at Noon, will be subject to rent, and landing charges at one cent per packet per day.

All Claims must be sent in to me on or before the 3rd April (Friday), or they will not be recognized. Damaged packages will be examined on Friday, the 3rd April, at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, March 26, 1891. 623

UNION LINE.

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship *Glennmoren*, Captain Wurth, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading and to make arrangements for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

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All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 4th April, or they will not be recognized.

RUSSELL & CO.,
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Hongkong, March 26, 1891. 635

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S.S. HIROSHIMA MARU, FROM MIDDLESBROUGH AND LONDON.

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SIEMSEN & CO.,
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